

REMARKS

Claims 15-25 and 27 are allowed.

Claim 26 was rejected under section 101.

Claim 26 has been amended to remedy the stated basis of rejection.

Claim 26 now requires an input unit for inputting a ground object expressing a three-dimensional shape of a ground; an extraction unit, for creating a simple ground object expressing the three-dimensional shape with less amount of data than the ground object; a creating unit for creating an on-ground-structure object expressing a three-dimensional shape of an on-ground structure that is present on a surface of the ground by adding height information to a two-dimensional on-ground-structure object expressing a two-dimensional shape of an on-ground structure; and a map unit for creating map information in which the on-ground-structure object is superimposed on the ground object, and a programmed computer provides each of the input unit, the extraction unit, the creating unit, and the map unit.

No new matter is entered by these amendments. See at least paragraphs [0008-0010] of the original specification.

As amended, the claim is directed to a method implemented by a particular machine. Thus, claim 26 is within section 101.

Withdrawal of the rejection is solicited.

Allowance of claim 26 is solicited.

Should there be any matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

This amendment is believed to be fully responsive and to put the case in condition for allowance. Entry of the amendment, and an early and favorable action on the merits, are earnestly requested. Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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